



1 TO: The Honorable Commissioner of Patents
2 Washington, District of Columbia 20031

3 RE: Owens Application No. 09/053,832
4 Attn: Examiner C. Goodman Art Group 3724

5 Comes now the applicant, William Owens, and respectfully responds to
6 the Detailed Action mailed 28 March, 2,000. This Reply is intended to satisfy
7 all objections of the Examiner and applicant requests that objections to form and
8 procedure be deferred until patentable subject matter is determined pursuant to
9 37 C.F.R. 1.111(b). Further, applicant certifies that there is no new matter
10 injected into the specification or the claims by the amendments thereto
11 contained in this Reply, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121 & 1.125. This
12 Reply consists of this document, the Declarations of applicant and Dennis M.
13 Langlitz and the Memorandum of Law submitted herewith. Please make the
14 amendments, deletions and additions to the specification, claims and drawings
15 contained herein.

16 Respectfully submitted, 6/26/00

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26 DETAILED REPLY

27 1. Applicant takes exception to the conclusion in paragraph 2 that
28 "claims 9 - 12 have been withdrawn from further consideration since these
claimed features are not shown in the elected species. FIG 8 is a version of the